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<b>RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>			<b>Attorney Docket No:</b> A382-USA				
<b>Application Serial Number:</b> 10/711,154		<b>Filing Date:</b> 8/27/2004		<b>Examiner:</b> Timothy M. Speer		<b>Art Unit:</b> 1775	
<b>Invention: MATERIAL AND METHOD TO PREVENT LOW TEMPERATURE DEGRADATION OF ZIRCONIA IN BIOMEDICAL IMPLANTS</b>							
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b> Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.							
<p>Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of Dec. 20, 2005 to and through Feb. 20, 2005, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of one month with payment of the extension fee specified in 37 CFR 1.17(a) of \$120.00. The Commissioner is authorized to withdraw \$120.00 from deposit account 500692.</p>							
<u>2/13/06</u> Date		 _____ Gary D. Schnittgrund Reg. No. 42130					
<p>I hereby certify that this Correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO at 571-273-8300 on February 13, 2006.</p>							
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**RESPONSE**

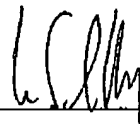
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated Dec. 20, 2005, please substitute the following pages for page 7 in the Amendment filed on Nov. 18, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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